

AGENT REPORT

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SOVIET APPREHENSION OF UNITED STATES PERSONNEL

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On 3 June 1955, George SHUPAN, born 19 February 1923 in BARLETE, Croatia, Yugoslavia, residing at House 16, Room 3, HAMBURG/Grossborstel NE6553, Germany, was interviewed and revealed substantially the following information regarding United States Naval flyers allegedly seen at Camp POTMA, Russia:

Camp POTMA is an entlassungslager (literally discharge or dismissal camp), located approximately 400 kilometers southeast of MOSCOW, Russia. During George SHUPAN's ten (10) month imprisonment in this camp, he only saw three (3) Americans held prisoner there. These Americans were Johnny (Lam), Bob (Lam), and William MARCHUK. At one time SHUPAN saw a French flyer there who had flown with the British Air Force. The Americans, Johnny, Bob, and William MARCHUK, came from a camp somewhere in Siberia, Russia. To the best of SHUPAN's knowledge, these Americans never gave the Russian administrators of Camp POTMA any knowledge or information concerning United States Military Forces. William MARCHUK spoke Russian but the other two Americans spoke only English. SHUPAN believes that Johnny, Bob, and William MARCHUK were members of the United States Army. Approximately 300 men were imprisoned at Camp POTMA; 180 Yugoslavs, 80 Magyars, and the rest Polish, Hungarian, and the three (3) American prisoners. George SHUPAN stated emphatically that he had never seen or heard of any American Flyers, Naval or Air Force, held by the Russian Government while SHUPAN was imprisoned in Russia.

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5. TYPED NAME AND ORGANIZATION OF SPECIAL AGENT

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